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State, County and MSA Unemployment Report:

November Revised and December Preliminary State Unemployment Figures Released

INDIANAPOLIS (Feb. 6, 2006) – The Indiana Department of Workforce Development released revised November and preliminary December unemployment figures for the state, all 92 counties and metropolitan statistical areas.

“While there were more than 47,000 more Hoosiers employed in December 2005 as opposed to December 2004, this isn't nearly good enough,” said Ron Stiver, Commissioner of the Department of Workforce Development. “The Daniels administration will continue to leave no stone unturned as we work to re-energize our state's economy and get more Hoosiers working.”

Seasonally Adjusted:

Indiana's preliminary seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for December was 5.5%, two-tenths of a percentage point higher than last month. The rate for the U.S. for December 2005 was 4.9%.

For the month of December, Indiana's Midwest neighbors reported the following unemployment rates: Kentucky, 6.3%; Illinois, 5.5%; Ohio, 5.9%; Michigan, 6.7%.

For the month of December, the state's estimated seasonally adjusted labor force total was 3,231,400. The number of Hoosier workers employed during December was 3,055,000 and the number of unemployed Hoosiers during December was 176,400. November revised data marked Indiana's labor total at 3,238,500 with 3,067,200 employed and 171,300 unemployed.

Non-Seasonally Adjusted:

Using the same data and reporting non-seasonally adjusted employment trends, Indiana's December preliminary non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.3%. The rate is up three-tenths of a percentage point from one year ago.

The U.S. non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 4.6% for the month of December. Of Indiana's neighboring states reporting non-seasonally adjusted unemployment rates, Kentucky's rate was 6.0% and Illinois' rate was 5.3%. Ohio reported an unemployment rate of 5.6% while Michigan's rate was reported to be 6.4%.

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development is charged with continually improving the Hoosier workforce by assisting companies to create new jobs and improve worker skills. The agency offers a variety of training and educational grants, partners with Indiana's 26 WorkOne Centers, administers the unemployment insurance system, provides labor market information, assists employers with preparing workers for layoffs and closures and operates a statewide job placement service.

For more information on Indiana's unemployment rate or the Innovating Indiana Strategic Skills Initiative, contact DWD at 1-888-WorkOne, or visit the website at www.workforce.IN.gov.

Technical Notes:

- In calculating unemployment rates, two different types of numbers are provided. The first, known as the *non-seasonally adjusted rate*, estimates employment and unemployment without taking into account the effects of seasonal trends. In calculating the *seasonally adjusted rate*, or employment that follows more or less a regular pattern each year, holiday, summer and other types of seasonal employment is factored out of the estimate. These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other non-seasonal movements.
- As previously announced BLS had found errors in some of the employment inputs used in the sub state estimates published earlier this year and decided to conduct a thorough review of all inputs. That review is now complete. The corrections to the data for January, February and March 2005 had small to moderate impacts on employment and labor force levels and little impact on unemployment rates in most areas. The labor force, unemployment and unemployment rate data for 2004 presented in this release also reflects the corrections to the inputs.
- Compiled in conjunction with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the State's unemployment rate is derived from a national survey of about 60,000 households. Of that number approximately 1,300 Indiana households are polled each month.
- The Household survey that calculates the unemployment rate is conducted by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and is conducted during the week of the 12th of the month.
- Labor force is calculated as the number of people 16 years of age and older who were able and available to work.
- For most accurate analysis, please use revised data sets and not preliminary estimates.

INDIANA VS. U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Seasonally Adjusted

Indiana	<i>December, 2005</i>	<i>November, 2005</i>	<i>October, 2005</i>	<i>December, 2004</i>
Labor Force	3,231,400	3,238,500	3,217,300	3,171,100
Employed	3,055,000	3,067,200	3,042,500	3,007,600
Unemployed	176,400	171,300	174,800	163,500
Rate	5.5	5.3	5.4	5.2
U.S.				
Rate	4.9	5.0	4.9	5.4

Non-Seasonally Adjusted

Indiana	<i>December, 2005</i>	<i>November, 2005</i>	<i>December, 2004</i>
Labor Force	3,209,600	3,235,900	3,156,600
Employed	3,038,200	3,073,100	2,999,600
Unemployed	171,400	162,800	157,000
Rate	5.3	5.0	5.0
U.S.			
Rate	4.6	4.8	5.1

LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

CPS BENCHMARK: 2004

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EMPLOYMENT BENCHMARK: 2004

THESE ESTIMATES ARE PREPARED IN COOPERATION WITH THE U. S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS (BLS) AND HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED TO THE CURRENT POPULATION SURVEY (CPS) FOR USE IN ALLOCATING FEDERAL FUNDS. BECAUSE OF IRREGULAR FLUCTUATIONS IN MONTH TO MONTH CHANGES, THE READER SHOULD USE CAUTION WHEN VIEWING THESE ESTIMATES AS INDICATORS OF ECONOMIC CHANGE.

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>	Seasonally Adjusted <u>RATE</u>
U.S.					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	149,874,000	142,918,000	6,956,000	4.6	4.9
November 2005 (Revised)	150,239,000	142,698,000	7,271,000	4.8	5.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	147,877,000	140,278,000	7,599,000	5.1	5.4
INDIANA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	3,209,600	3,038,200	171,400	5.3	5.5
November 2005 (Revised)	3,235,900	3,073,100	162,800	5.0	5.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	3,156,600	2,999,600	157,000	5.0	5.2
<u>METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS</u>					
ANDERSON MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	64,040	59,750	4,290	6.7	
November 2005 (Revised)	64,400	60,370	4,030	6.3	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	63,320	59,650	3,670	5.8	
BLOOMINGTON MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	95,300	90,590	4,710	4.9	
November 2005 (Revised)	97,010	92,530	4,480	4.6	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	91,270	87,210	4,060	4.5	
COLUMBUS MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	37,700	35,870	1,830	4.9	
November 2005 (Revised)	37,800	36,150	1,650	4.4	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	36,560	34,990	1,570	4.3	
ELKHART-GOSHEN MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	102,390	97,730	4,660	4.6	
November 2005 (Revised)	103,090	98,570	4,520	4.4	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	100,360	96,120	4,240	4.2	
EVANSVILLE MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	183,770	174,860	8,910	4.9	
November 2005 (Revised)	185,280	176,560	8,720	4.7	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	178,960	170,970	7,990	4.5	
FORT WAYNE MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	212,710	201,880	10,830	5.1	
November 2005 (Revised)	213,630	203,440	10,190	4.8	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	208,610	198,370	10,240	4.9	
GARY					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	327,710	309,240	18,470	5.6	
November 2005 (Revised)	328,630	311,400	17,230	5.2	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	321,790	304,710	17,080	5.3	
INDIANAPOLIS MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	875,260	833,270	41,990	4.8	
November 2005 (Revised)	883,540	842,710	40,830	4.6	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	863,820	824,930	38,890	4.5	
KOKOMO MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	47,350	44,290	3,060	6.5	
November 2005 (Revised)	47,290	44,490	2,800	5.9	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	46,780	44,100	2,680	5.7	
LAFAYETTE MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	95,510	91,020	4,490	4.7	
November 2005 (Revised)	96,990	92,850	4,140	4.3	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	93,680	89,630	4,050	4.3	
MICHIGAN CITY MSA					
December 2005 (Preliminary)	53,230	49,930	3,300	6.2	
November 2005 (Revised)	53,160	50,160	3,000	5.6	
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	52,510	49,640	2,870	5.5	

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
MUNCIE MSA				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	57,060	53,430	3,630	6.4
November 2005 (Revised)	57,360	54,050	3,310	5.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	56,660	53,240	3,420	6.0
SOUTH BEND MSA				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	165,100	156,410	8,690	5.3
November 2005 (Revised)	165,350	157,350	8,000	4.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	161,950	154,190	7,760	4.8
TERRE HAUTE MSA				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	81,660	76,240	5,420	6.6
November 2005 (Revised)	82,320	77,240	5,080	6.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	80,710	75,620	5,090	6.3
<u>COUNTIES</u>				
ADAMS				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	16,820	16,050	770	4.6
November 2005 (Revised)	17,060	16,300	760	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,350	15,700	650	4.0
ALLEN (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	180,040	170,800	9,240	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	180,930	172,120	8,810	4.9
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	176,550	167,840	8,710	4.9
BARTHOLOMEW (COLUMBUS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	37,700	35,870	1,830	4.9
November 2005 (Revised)	37,800	36,150	1,650	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	36,560	34,990	1,570	4.3
BENTON (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	4,720	4,460	260	5.6
November 2005 (Revised)	4,765	4,550	215	4.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	4,610	4,390	220	4.8
BLACKFORD				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	6,780	6,290	490	7.3
November 2005 (Revised)	6,830	6,390	440	6.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	6,750	6,300	450	6.7
BOONE (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	26,510	25,390	1,120	4.2
November 2005 (Revised)	26,690	25,670	1,020	3.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	26,060	25,130	930	3.6
BROWN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	8,305	7,835	470	5.6
November 2005 (Revised)	8,290	7,920	370	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,170	7,755	415	5.1
CARROLL (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	10,590	10,060	530	5.0
November 2005 (Revised)	10,740	10,270	470	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,450	9,910	540	5.2
CASS				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	19,520	18,400	1,120	5.7
November 2005 (Revised)	19,650	18,630	1,020	5.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	19,510	18,410	1,100	5.6
CLARK (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	53,320	50,600	2,720	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	53,880	51,060	2,820	5.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	52,110	49,630	2,480	4.8
CLAY (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	13,140	12,290	850	6.4
November 2005 (Revised)	13,290	12,450	840	6.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	12,930	12,190	740	5.7
CLINTON				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	16,950	15,910	1,040	6.1
November 2005 (Revised)	17,270	16,350	920	5.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,740	15,790	950	5.6

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CRAWFORD				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	5,470	4,990	480	8.8
November 2005 (Revised)	5,465	5,080	385	7.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	5,385	4,985	400	7.4
DAVIESS				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,710	14,080	630	4.3
November 2005 (Revised)	14,990	14,380	610	4.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	14,520	13,990	530	3.7
DEARBORN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	26,020	24,600	1,420	5.4
November 2005 (Revised)	26,160	24,750	1,410	5.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	25,380	24,120	1,260	4.9
DECATUR				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	12,640	12,030	610	4.8
November 2005 (Revised)	12,860	12,300	560	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	12,650	12,000	650	5.2
DEKALB				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	21,970	20,600	1,370	6.2
November 2005 (Revised)	22,210	20,910	1,300	5.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	21,860	20,680	1,180	5.4
DELAWARE (MUNCIE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	57,060	53,430	3,630	6.4
November 2005 (Revised)	57,360	54,050	3,310	5.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	56,660	53,240	3,420	6.0
DUBOIS				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	22,250	21,350	900	4.0
November 2005 (Revised)	22,390	21,540	850	3.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,040	21,290	750	3.4
ELKHART (ELKHART-GOSHEN)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	102,390	97,730	4,660	4.6
November 2005 (Revised)	103,090	98,570	4,520	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	100,360	96,120	4,240	4.2
FAYETTE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	11,340	10,410	930	8.2
November 2005 (Revised)	11,510	10,560	950	8.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,230	10,390	840	7.5
FLOYD (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	37,780	35,870	1,910	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	38,110	36,200	1,910	5.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	36,910	35,180	1,730	4.7
FOUNTAIN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	8,810	8,325	485	5.5
November 2005 (Revised)	8,860	8,410	450	5.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,560	8,115	445	5.2
FRANKLIN (CINCINNATI MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	12,020	11,270	750	6.3
November 2005 (Revised)	12,070	11,330	740	6.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,650	11,050	600	5.1
FULTON				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	10,430	9,860	570	5.4
November 2005 (Revised)	10,500	10,020	480	4.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,140	9,640	500	4.9
GIBSON (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,320	16,530	790	4.6
November 2005 (Revised)	17,500	16,710	790	4.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,890	16,130	760	4.5
GRANT				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	32,580	30,090	2,490	7.6
November 2005 (Revised)	32,930	30,480	2,450	7.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	33,630	30,850	2,780	8.3

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GREENE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	16,610	15,480	1,130	6.8
November 2005 (Revised)	16,860	15,810	1,050	6.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	15,820	14,900	920	5.8
HAMILTON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	120,650	116,730	3,920	3.2
November 2005 (Revised)	121,840	118,050	3,790	3.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	118,940	115,560	3,380	2.8
HANCOCK (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	33,320	31,870	1,450	4.4
November 2005 (Revised)	33,600	32,220	1,380	4.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	32,810	31,550	1,260	3.8
HARRISON (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	19,510	18,210	1,300	6.7
November 2005 (Revised)	19,660	18,380	1,280	6.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	18,950	17,860	1,090	5.8
HENDRICKS (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	66,410	63,800	2,610	3.9
November 2005 (Revised)	67,010	64,520	2,490	3.7
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	65,520	63,150	2,370	3.6
HENRY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	23,530	22,040	1,490	6.3
November 2005 (Revised)	23,740	22,310	1,430	6.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	23,560	22,010	1,550	6.6
HOWARD (KOKOMO MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	39,250	36,640	2,610	6.6
November 2005 (Revised)	39,240	36,810	2,430	6.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	38,780	36,490	2,290	5.9
HUNTINGTON				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	20,900	19,750	1,150	5.5
November 2005 (Revised)	21,180	20,080	1,100	5.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	20,930	19,820	1,110	5.3
JACKSON				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	22,440	21,420	1,020	4.5
November 2005 (Revised)	22,790	21,780	1,010	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	21,770	20,800	970	4.4
JASPER (GARY)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	15,080	14,220	860	5.7
November 2005 (Revised)	15,030	14,330	700	4.7
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	14,740	14,010	730	4.9
JAY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	11,240	10,650	590	5.3
November 2005 (Revised)	11,330	10,780	550	4.9
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,720	10,120	600	5.6
JEFFERSON				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,400	16,560	840	4.8
November 2005 (Revised)	17,510	16,670	840	4.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,060	16,270	790	4.6
JENNINGS				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,440	13,550	890	6.1
November 2005 (Revised)	14,690	13,820	870	5.9
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	14,140	13,350	790	5.6
JOHNSON (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	68,890	66,040	2,850	4.1
November 2005 (Revised)	69,530	66,790	2,740	3.9
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	68,270	65,380	2,890	4.2
KNOX				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	18,970	18,040	930	4.9
November 2005 (Revised)	19,370	18,450	920	4.7
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	18,820	17,990	830	4.4

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KOSCIUSKO				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	40,730	38,880	1,850	4.5
November 2005 (Revised)	40,750	39,060	1,690	4.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	39,760	38,110	1,650	4.2
LAGRANGE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,240	16,340	900	5.2
November 2005 (Revised)	17,620	16,780	840	4.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,840	16,150	690	4.1
LAKE (GARY)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	225,850	212,360	13,490	6.0
November 2005 (Revised)	226,610	213,840	12,770	5.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	221,850	209,250	12,600	5.7
LA PORTE (MICHIGAN CITY MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	53,230	49,930	3,300	6.2
November 2005 (Revised)	53,160	50,160	3,000	5.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	52,510	49,640	2,870	5.5
LAWRENCE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	22,310	20,620	1,690	7.6
November 2005 (Revised)	22,550	20,930	1,620	7.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,060	20,530	1,530	6.9
MADISON (ANDERSON MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	64,040	59,750	4,290	6.7
November 2005 (Revised)	64,400	60,370	4,030	6.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	63,320	59,650	3,670	5.8
MARION (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	471,060	445,870	25,190	5.3
November 2005 (Revised)	475,920	450,910	25,010	5.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	465,380	441,400	23,980	5.2
MARSHALL				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	22,790	21,630	1,160	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	22,940	21,880	1,060	4.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	22,240	21,170	1,070	4.8
MARTIN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	5,230	4,935	295	5.7
November 2005 (Revised)	5,295	5,000	295	5.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	5,180	4,940	240	4.6
MIAMI				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,290	16,240	1,050	6.0
November 2005 (Revised)	17,410	16,410	1,000	5.7
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,110	16,130	980	5.7
MONROE (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	66,980	64,100	2,880	4.3
November 2005 (Revised)	68,260	65,470	2,790	4.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	64,260	61,720	2,540	4.0
MONTGOMERY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	20,080	19,180	900	4.5
November 2005 (Revised)	20,310	19,430	880	4.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	19,680	18,880	800	4.1
MORGAN (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	37,670	35,730	1,940	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	37,870	36,140	1,730	4.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	37,050	35,380	1,670	4.5
NEWTON (GARY)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	7,175	6,780	395	5.5
November 2005 (Revised)	7,220	6,835	385	5.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	6,995	6,685	310	4.4
NOBLE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	23,740	22,260	1,480	6.2
November 2005 (Revised)	24,010	22,660	1,350	5.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	23,450	22,140	1,310	5.6

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OHIO (CINCINNATI MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	3,125	2,950	175	5.6
November 2005 (Revised)	3,145	2,965	180	5.7
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	3,045	2,890	155	5.0
ORANGE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	8,885	8,195	690	7.7
November 2005 (Revised)	8,975	8,350	625	7.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,890	8,245	645	7.3
OWEN (BLOOMINGTON MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	11,710	11,010	700	6.0
November 2005 (Revised)	11,890	11,250	640	5.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,190	10,590	600	5.3
PARKE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	8,000	7,505	495	6.2
November 2005 (Revised)	8,170	7,725	445	5.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	7,985	7,470	515	6.4
PERRY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	9,835	9,260	575	5.8
November 2005 (Revised)	9,850	9,355	495	5.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	9,640	9,105	535	5.5
PIKE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	6,305	6,010	295	4.6
November 2005 (Revised)	6,345	6,065	280	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	6,370	6,000	370	5.8
PORTER (GARY)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	79,610	75,880	3,730	4.7
November 2005 (Revised)	79,770	76,400	3,370	4.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	78,200	74,760	3,440	4.4
POSEY (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,070	13,440	630	4.5
November 2005 (Revised)	14,220	13,580	640	4.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,650	13,120	530	3.9
PULASKI				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	7,040	6,695	345	4.9
November 2005 (Revised)	7,225	6,900	325	4.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	6,950	6,625	325	4.7
PUTNAM (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	18,180	16,940	1,240	6.8
November 2005 (Revised)	18,290	17,140	1,150	6.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,650	16,770	880	5.0
RANDOLPH				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	13,070	12,050	1,020	7.8
November 2005 (Revised)	13,130	12,290	840	6.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,150	12,180	970	7.4
RIPLEY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	15,210	14,450	760	5.0
November 2005 (Revised)	15,410	14,700	710	4.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	14,770	14,060	710	4.8
RUSH				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	9,350	8,900	450	4.8
November 2005 (Revised)	9,605	9,180	425	4.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	9,330	8,890	440	4.7
SAINT JOSEPH (SOUTH BEND MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	136,690	129,260	7,430	5.4
November 2005 (Revised)	136,840	130,090	6,750	4.9
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	134,160	127,850	6,310	4.7
SCOTT				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	11,520	10,800	720	6.3
November 2005 (Revised)	11,620	10,920	700	6.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	11,200	10,570	630	5.6

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
SHELBY (INDIANAPOLIS MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	24,280	23,080	1,200	5.0
November 2005 (Revised)	24,510	23,340	1,170	4.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	23,970	22,840	1,130	4.7
SPENCER				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	10,450	9,900	550	5.3
November 2005 (Revised)	10,590	10,060	530	5.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,400	9,810	590	5.7
STARKE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	10,630	9,880	750	7.1
November 2005 (Revised)	10,820	10,130	690	6.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	10,500	9,780	720	6.9
STEUBEN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,110	16,030	1,080	6.3
November 2005 (Revised)	17,190	16,210	980	5.7
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	16,720	15,830	890	5.3
SULLIVAN (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	9,385	8,690	695	7.4
November 2005 (Revised)	9,480	8,805	675	7.1
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	9,285	8,625	660	7.1
SWITZERLAND				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	5,815	5,530	285	4.9
November 2005 (Revised)	5,910	5,645	265	4.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	5,660	5,420	240	4.2
TIPPECANOE (LAFAYETTE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	80,190	76,490	3,700	4.6
November 2005 (Revised)	81,490	78,030	3,460	4.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	78,620	75,330	3,290	4.2
TIPTON (KOKOMO MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	8,095	7,645	450	5.6
November 2005 (Revised)	8,050	7,680	370	4.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,005	7,610	395	4.9
UNION				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	3,810	3,565	245	6.5
November 2005 (Revised)	3,915	3,695	220	5.6
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	3,710	3,505	205	5.5
VANDERBURGH (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	92,050	87,520	4,530	4.9
November 2005 (Revised)	93,040	88,480	4,560	4.9
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	89,610	85,430	4,180	4.7
VERMILLION (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	8,200	7,580	620	7.5
November 2005 (Revised)	8,215	7,680	535	6.5
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	8,125	7,515	610	7.5
VIGO (TERRE HAUTE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	50,950	47,690	3,260	6.4
November 2005 (Revised)	51,330	48,300	3,030	5.9
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	50,380	47,300	3,080	6.1
WABASH				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,460	16,390	1,070	6.1
November 2005 (Revised)	17,820	16,700	1,120	6.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,220	16,260	960	5.6
WARREN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	4,785	4,595	190	4.0
November 2005 (Revised)	4,885	4,700	185	3.8
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	4,615	4,420	195	4.2
WARRICK (EVANSVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	30,160	28,830	1,330	4.4
November 2005 (Revised)	30,380	29,150	1,230	4.0
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	29,400	28,150	1,250	4.3

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
WASHINGTON (LOUISVILLE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,280	13,300	980	6.9
November 2005 (Revised)	14,340	13,420	920	6.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	13,840	13,040	800	5.8
WAYNE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	33,230	30,860	2,370	7.1
November 2005 (Revised)	33,480	31,250	2,230	6.7
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	33,170	30,900	2,270	6.8
WELLS (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	15,040	14,330	710	4.7
November 2005 (Revised)	15,090	14,440	650	4.3
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	14,760	14,080	680	4.6
WHITE				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	12,200	11,460	740	6.1
November 2005 (Revised)	12,370	11,700	670	5.4
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	12,010	11,330	680	5.7
WHITLEY (FORT WAYNE MSA)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,630	16,750	880	5.0
November 2005 (Revised)	17,610	16,880	730	4.2
December 2004 (Benchmarked)	17,300	16,450	850	4.9
<u>CITIES (Population over 25,000)</u>				
ANDERSON CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	27,900	25,880	2,020	7.3
November 2005 (Revised)	28,070	26,150	1,920	6.8
BLOOMINGTON CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	37,300	35,710	1,590	4.3
November 2005 (Revised)	38,020	36,470	1,550	4.1
CARMEL CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	22,910	22,270	640	2.8
November 2005 (Revised)	23,170	22,510	660	2.8
COLUMBUS CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	19,760	18,750	1,010	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	19,830	18,900	930	4.7
EAST CHICAGO CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	10,860	9,930	930	8.6
November 2005 (Revised)	10,910	10,000	910	8.3
ELKHART CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	26,800	25,200	1,600	6.0
November 2005 (Revised)	26,990	25,410	1,580	5.9
EVANSVILLE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	61,360	57,980	3,380	5.5
November 2005 (Revised)	61,990	58,620	3,370	5.4
FISHERS TOWN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	29,380	28,520	860	2.9
November 2005 (Revised)	29,670	28,840	830	2.8
FORT WAYNE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	113,420	107,250	6,170	5.4
November 2005 (Revised)	114,000	108,080	5,920	5.2
GARY CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	37,400	34,390	3,010	8.0
November 2005 (Revised)	37,720	34,630	3,090	8.2
GOSHEN CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	15,780	15,070	710	4.5
November 2005 (Revised)	15,900	15,200	700	4.4
GREENWOOD CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	22,800	21,840	960	4.2
November 2005 (Revised)	23,070	22,090	980	4.3
HAMMOND CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	35,500	33,040	2,460	6.9
November 2005 (Revised)	35,600	33,270	2,330	6.5

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
HOBART CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	13,640	12,870	770	5.7
November 2005 (Revised)	13,660	12,950	710	5.2
INDIANAPOLIS CITY (CONS)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	431,960	408,900	23,060	5.3
November 2005 (Revised)	436,460	413,530	22,930	5.3
INDIANAPOLIS CITY (CORE)				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	426,650	404,010	22,640	5.3
November 2005 (Revised)	431,080	408,590	22,490	5.2
JEFFERSONVILLE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,870	14,110	760	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	15,020	14,240	780	5.2
KOKOMO CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	21,280	19,610	1,670	7.8
November 2005 (Revised)	21,230	19,700	1,530	7.2
LAFAYETTE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	33,410	31,690	1,720	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	33,980	32,330	1,650	4.9
LAWRENCE TOWN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	23,200	22,150	1,050	4.5
November 2005 (Revised)	23,400	22,390	1,010	4.3
MARION CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	12,780	11,670	1,110	8.7
November 2005 (Revised)	12,950	11,830	1,120	8.6
MERRILLVILLE TOWN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	16,150	15,270	880	5.5
November 2005 (Revised)	16,210	15,380	830	5.1
MICHIGAN CITY CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,770	13,710	1,060	7.2
November 2005 (Revised)	14,830	13,780	1,050	7.1
MISHAWAKA CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	26,850	25,400	1,450	5.4
November 2005 (Revised)	26,980	25,560	1,420	5.2
MUNCIE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	31,380	29,220	2,160	6.9
November 2005 (Revised)	31,550	29,560	1,990	6.3
NEW ALBANY CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	18,790	17,660	1,130	6.0
November 2005 (Revised)	18,910	17,820	1,090	5.7
NOBLESVILLE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	18,490	17,690	800	4.3
November 2005 (Revised)	18,630	17,890	740	4.0
PORTAGE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,480	16,590	890	5.1
November 2005 (Revised)	17,590	16,710	880	5.0
RICHMOND CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	17,260	15,970	1,290	7.5
November 2005 (Revised)	17,400	16,170	1,230	7.1
SCHERERVILLE TOWN				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,670	14,040	630	4.3
November 2005 (Revised)	14,710	14,130	580	3.9
SOUTH BEND CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	49,680	46,530	3,150	6.3
November 2005 (Revised)	49,700	46,830	2,870	5.8
TERRE HAUTE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	26,930	25,040	1,890	7.0
November 2005 (Revised)	27,110	25,360	1,750	6.4
VALPARAISO CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,860	14,190	670	4.5
November 2005 (Revised)	14,890	14,290	600	4.0

<u>AREA</u>	<u>LABOR FORCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYED</u>	<u>UNEMPLOYED</u>	<u>RATE</u>
WEST LAFAYETTE CITY				
December 2005 (Preliminary)	14,490	13,950	540	3.7
November 2005 (Revised)	14,730	14,240	490	3.4

- NOTES: 1) UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.
2) COUNTY DATA MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING.
3) PRELIMINARY DATA WILL BE REVISED THE FOLLOWING MONTH.
4) CITY DATA IS USING A NEW METHODOLOGY, THEREFORE IT IS NOT COMPARABLE WITH 2004
5) INDIANAPOLIS CITY DATA IS NOW LISTED FOR THE INCORPORATED CITY (CORE) AND THE CONSOLIDATED CITY (CONS)

*Starting with January 2005 data, new MSA definitions are used. These will be revised back to 2000

*Also starting with January 2005, new methodology is being used. It will be used back to 2000

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RANKING OF COUNTY DATA

FOR DECEMBER 2005 (PRELIMINARY)

PREPARED JANUARY 24, 2006

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	CRAWFORD	8.8	47	NEWTON	5.5
2	FAYETTE	8.2	48	DEARBORN	5.4
3	RANDOLPH	7.8	49	FULTON	5.4
4	ORANGE	7.7	50	SAINT JOSEPH	5.4
5	GRANT	7.6	51	JAY	5.3
6	LAWRENCE	7.6	52	MARION	5.3
7	VERMILLION	7.5	53	SPENCER	5.3
8	SULLIVAN	7.4	54	LAGRANGE	5.2
9	BLACKFORD	7.3	55	ALLEN	5.1
10	STARKE	7.1	56	CLARK	5.1
11	WAYNE	7.1	57	FLOYD	5.1
12	WASHINGTON	6.9	58	MARSHALL	5.1
13	GREENE	6.8	59	MORGAN	5.1
14	PUTNAM	6.8	60	CARROLL	5.0
15	HARRISON	6.7	61	RIPLEY	5.0
16	MADISON	6.7	62	SHELBY	5.0
17	HOWARD	6.6	63	WHITLEY	5.0
18	UNION	6.5	64	BARTHOLOMEW	4.9
19	CLAY	6.4	65	KNOX	4.9
20	DELAWARE	6.4	66	PULASKI	4.9
21	VIGO	6.4	67	SWITZERLAND	4.9
22	FRANKLIN	6.3	68	VANDERBURGH	4.9
23	HENRY	6.3	69	DECATUR	4.8
24	SCOTT	6.3	70	JEFFERSON	4.8
25	STEUBEN	6.3	71	RUSH	4.8
26	DEKALB	6.2	72	PORTER	4.7
27	LAPORTE	6.2	73	WELLS	4.7
28	NOBLE	6.2	74	ADAMS	4.6
29	PARKE	6.2	75	ELKHART	4.6
30	CLINTON	6.1	76	GIBSON	4.6
31	JENNINGS	6.1	77	PIKE	4.6
32	WABASH	6.1	78	TIPPECANOE	4.6
33	WHITE	6.1	79	JACKSON	4.5
34	LAKE	6.0	80	KOSCIUSKO	4.5
35	MIAMI	6.0	81	MONTGOMERY	4.5
36	OWEN	6.0	82	POSEY	4.5
37	PERRY	5.8	83	HANCOCK	4.4
38	CASS	5.7	84	WARRICK	4.4
39	JASPER	5.7	85	DAVISS	4.3
40	MARTIN	5.7	86	MONROE	4.3
41	BENTON	5.6	87	BOONE	4.2
42	BROWN	5.6	88	JOHNSON	4.1
43	OHIO	5.6	89	DUBOIS	4.0
44	TIPTON	5.6	90	WARREN	4.0
45	FOUNTAIN	5.5	91	HENDRICKS	3.9
46	HUNTINGTON	5.5	92	HAMILTON	3.2

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R A N K I N G O F C O U N T Y D A T A

FOR NOVEMBER 2005 (REVISED)

PREPARED JANUARY 24, 2006

RANK	AREA	RATE	RANK	AREA	RATE
1	FAYETTE	8.3	47	PERRY	5.0
2	GRANT	7.4	48	SPENCER	5.0
3	LAWRENCE	7.2	49	ALLEN	4.9
4	CRAWFORD	7.1	50	JAY	4.9
5	SULLIVAN	7.1	51	SAINT JOSEPH	4.9
6	ORANGE	7.0	52	VANDERBURGH	4.9
7	WAYNE	6.7	53	JEFFERSON	4.8
8	BLACKFORD	6.5	54	LAGRANGE	4.8
9	HARRISON	6.5	55	SHELBY	4.8
10	VERMILLION	6.5	56	JASPER	4.7
11	RANDOLPH	6.4	57	KNOX	4.7
12	WASHINGTON	6.4	58	FULTON	4.6
13	CLAY	6.3	59	MARSHALL	4.6
14	MADISON	6.3	60	MORGAN	4.6
15	PUTNAM	6.3	61	RIPLEY	4.6
16	STARKE	6.3	62	TIPTON	4.6
17	WABASH	6.3	63	BENTON	4.5
18	GREENE	6.2	64	GIBSON	4.5
19	HOWARD	6.2	65	POSEY	4.5
20	FRANKLIN	6.1	66	PULASKI	4.5
21	HENRY	6.0	67	SWITZERLAND	4.5
22	SCOTT	6.0	68	ADAMS	4.4
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24	VIGO	5.9	70	BROWN	4.4
25	DEKALB	5.8	71	CARROLL	4.4
26	DELAWARE	5.8	72	DECATUR	4.4
27	MIAMI	5.7	73	ELKHART	4.4
28	OHIO	5.7	74	JACKSON	4.4
29	STEUBEN	5.7	75	PIKE	4.4
30	LAKE	5.6	76	RUSH	4.4
31	LAPORTE	5.6	77	MONTGOMERY	4.3
32	MARTIN	5.6	78	WELLS	4.3
33	NOBLE	5.6	79	PORTER	4.2
34	UNION	5.6	80	TIPPECANOE	4.2
35	PARKE	5.5	81	WHITLEY	4.2
36	DEARBORN	5.4	82	DAVISS	4.1
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42	CASS	5.2	88	BOONE	3.8
43	CLARK	5.2	89	DUBOIS	3.8
44	HUNTINGTON	5.2	90	WARREN	3.8
45	FOUNTAIN	5.1	91	HENDRICKS	3.7
46	FLOYD	5.0	92	HAMILTON	3.1

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Unemployment Rate

December 2005

